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SUBJ: ARTICLE IV--POSSIBLE NEW PROPOSALS BY US (SALT TWO-882)

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1. GIVEN TRUSOV'S INFORMAL SUGGESTION TO EARLE (SEE REFS)
THAT US CONCERNS RE ICBM DEFINITION MIGHT BE MET BY A BAN
ON CONSTRUCTION OF NON-ICBM LAUNCHERS WHICH COULD ALSO BE
USED TO LAUNCH ICBMS, DELEGATION IS CONSIDERING PROPOSING
ADDITION OF FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS TO ARTICLE IV:

"8. THE PARTIES UNDERTAKE NOT TO DEVELOP, TEST, OR DEPLOY
LAND-BASED BALLISTIC MISSILE LAUNCHERS NOT SUBJECT TO THE
LIMITATION OF ARTICLE III WHICH ARE CAPABLE OF LAUNCHING AN
ICBM.

"9. THE PARTIES UNDERTAKE NOT TO MODIFY LAND-BASED BALLISTIC
MISSILE LAUNCHERS NOT SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATION OF ARTICLE III
SO AS TO GIVE SUCH LAUNCHERS THE CAPABILITY TO LAUNCH AN ICBM."

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2. PROPOSED PARA 8 WOULD BAN SYSTEMS WHICH, UNDER US DRAFT ARTICLE III, PARA 1 AND, PERHAPS, ARTICLE III, PARA 5, WOULD BE COUNTED.

3. PROPOSED PARA 9 WOULD ELIMINATE POSSIBLE LOOPHOLE IN IA AND PRESENT JDT.

4. THESE PROPOSALS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED PART OF A PACKAGE, INCLUDING SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR WHAT CONSTITUTES LAUNCHERS OF ICBMS, WHICH WOULD LEAD TO AMENDMENT OF US ICBM DEFINITION (ARTICLE II, PARA 1) FROM "DEVICES WHICH CAN BE USED FOR LAUNCHING" TO "LAUNCHERS OF".

5. DELEGATION SUGGESTS WASHINGTON ANALYSIS DURING RECESS WITH VIEW TO INSTRUCTIONS FOLLOWING RECESS. JOHNSON

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